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Extraordinary efforts of WSF staff

I want to thank all WSF employees for their outstanding performance during the winter storm last week. Many went to extraordinary lengths to get to work and to cover for a snow-bound co-worker. I also want to recognize the Southworth, Fauntleroy, Bremerton, Bainbridge Island and Seattle terminal staff for the amazing job they did on Friday to accommodate a surge of traffic during the six-hour closure of the Tacoma Narrows Bridge. Congratulations to all on a job well done!

Legislative session update

Legislative session is now in full swing. I met with transportation committee chairs and members this week to talk about issues facing the ferry system. Hearings in the [house](#) and [senate](#) were held on the governor's revenue proposal. I want to thank Ferry Advisory Committee members, customers, and community members who spoke at the hearings on behalf of the ferry system.

Visual paging pilot project recognized

WSF Contractor Four Winds Interactive won the [2012 Judges Choice DIGI Award](#) for its work on WSF's visual paging pilot program. Congratulations to Four Winds and the WSF team for your innovative work.

Vehicle Reservations system partnership meeting

We convened the Port Townsend/Coupeville partnership on Wednesday night to continue our discussion about improvements to the vehicle reservation system. I really appreciate the commitment from partnership members and the thoughtful questions and suggestions made at all of our meetings. For meeting materials and details, visit the project [Web page](#).

WSF an official favorite among tourists

We all know that a ride aboard Washington State Ferries is a favorite among tourists to our state, and now it's officially ranked! [TripAdvisor](#), the world's largest travel site, ranks Washington State Ferries as one of the top attractions in Seattle. Read traveler reviews, view photos and more on [TripAdvisor](#).

Seattle Terminal project update

I invite you to participate in upcoming outreach activities planned for Feb. 8, 9 and 16 about the Seattle Terminal project. At these public events you can learn about plans to replace the aging and seismically vulnerable components of Colman Dock and share your feedback with the project team. For more information about the project or upcoming outreach, visit the project [Web page](#).

Mukilteo Terminal project update

We are making progress on plans to improve the Mukilteo terminal. Today WSF and the Federal Transit Administration released the Mukilteo Multimodal Project Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for public comment. Visit the project [website](#) to learn more about upcoming public meetings and how to submit comments.

Mukilteo/Clinton route update

On Thursday morning, customers of the Mukilteo/Clinton route experienced delays while the Washington State Patrol (WSP) and U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) responded to a significant security situation at the Mukilteo terminal. Reports of an explosive device were unfounded, but the passenger who made the claim was taken into custody. I want to thank customers for their patience and share my appreciation for the professionalism exhibited by WSF vessel and terminal staff, WSP and USCG.

Next Week:

- Passenger Vessel Association Conference
- Meetings with transportation committee legislators

David Moseley's weekly updates are available on the WSDOT Ferries Division website at www.wsdot.wa.gov/ferries/weekly.

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